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EAST KWANTUNG LEADERS REVOLT;
DEFENSE SET UP IN TAIWAN, NEW TERRITORIES

EAST KWANGTUNG LEADERS SWITCH LOYALTY -- Hua Shang Pao, 25 May 49

Gen Wu Ch'i-wei (Ueda: 1207, 1972, 407), present leader of Kwangtung Province's "Fourth Army," also known as the "Iron Army," which came under Chiang Kai-shek's control after gaining distinction in the Northern Expedition, has now left Chiang Kai-shek and declared allegiance to the CCP and the Liberation Army. The general was born in Ta-pu, Kwangtung, over 50 years ago. He started as a low-ranking officer in the "Fourth Army" and became division commander and then army commander. After the beginning of the present internal strife, he resigned from his position as deputy chief of the President's Pei-ping Headquarters, and returned to Kwangtung. In Kwangtung, he was offered the position of deputy chief of the Kuang-chow (Canton) Pacification Headquarters, but refused. His change in loyalty is therefore not unexpected.

Participating in this uprising with Gen Wu Ch'i-wei is 49-year-old Li Chieh-shih (4735, 6532, 9742), a native of Hsing-ning Hsien, Kwangtung. He has been a very close friend of Chen-Chi-t'ing (12864, 6641, 5039) and Yu Han-mou (253, 6499, 11092) for 20 years. He has been battalion, regiment, and brigade commander in their forces and has also taken care of their administrative duties and supply of military goods.

The third person to join in this uprising was Hsiao Wen (10128, 4321), known in Kwangtung Government circles as a versatile man. He speaks several foreign languages, and was once attached to consulates in Annam, Burma, and Thailand. He has had several years' duty with the Air Force, and also served under Fourth Military District Commander Chang Fa-k'uei (3665, 7707, 1980).

MARTIAL LAW IMPOSED IN TAIWAN - Hsin-sheng Wan-pao, 24 May 49

In connection with the imposition of martial law in Taiwan, shipping is being restricted to the ports of Keelung and Takao in Taiwan, and Makao-ko in the Pescadores.

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The death penalty has been proclaimed for a long list of offenses against public order, especially agitation and strikes in industry and schools. Public meetings and parades are prohibited.

A special hunt is being conducted for CCP special agents. Every effort is being made to preserve peace and order on the island in face of mounting apprehension of CCP action against it.

DEFENSE MEASURES TAKEN IN NEW TERRITORIES -- Hua Shang Pao, 6 Jun 49

Hong Kong authorities are vigorously preparing the defenses of the New Territories. In addition to defense works around all military installations and police offices, they are digging trenches along the Chinese border. Telephone connections with a garrison post nearby in Chinese territory have been set up so that in case fugitives from the law flee into Chinese territory, Chinese authorities can be notified to assist in apprehending and returning them.

In May 1949 the British Air Force established a radio outpost at P'ing-shan Bridge for liaison work with the military police of the New Territories. The set-up consists of three radio transmission and receiving trucks and two power unit trucks with a staff of eight men operating day and night.

At present there are more than 2,000 British troops in the New Territories.

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